



# SMUD Museum of Science and Curiosity: Camp Curiosity FAQs

## **What can I do to prepare to register?**

If you are a member, make sure that you have an online account and password set up. To test your password you can try signing in [HERE](#) by clicking the "Sign In" button. If you have forgotten your password, you can select the forgot password option. If you are member who has never set up an online password or a member who selected forgot password and did not receive a password reset email, please call 916-674-5000 for assistance during office hours M-F 8:30 am – 4:00 pm.

If you are not a member, you can set up your online account and password by registering [HERE](#).

During the registration you will also need the information for two emergency contacts (including the parent or guardian registering the child) and contact information for adults who will be authorized to pick up your child from camp. You should also be prepared to answer questions regarding your child's shirt size, medical or allergy needs, any medication they carry with them, as well as any behavior or sensory needs your child has.

## **Do members receive any benefits at camp?**

Yes, members receive a \$20 discount per camp week. Make sure to sign into your online member account before registering to receive your discount. Note: this discount applies to Family Duo memberships and above.

## **How do I access my membership benefits/discounts when registering for camps?**

To receive your MOSAC Membership Discounts at check out, make sure you are logged in as a member when you are in the cart. To log in, select the "Sign In" button in the upper right corner of your screen or click the three parallel lines if you are on a smart phone. If you are a member and have not yet set up your online account/password you can register [HERE](#).

Please make sure you use the **SAME** exact email, name, address, and phone number used when your membership was purchased. If you have forgotten your password, you can select the forgot password option when signing in. If you do not receive a password reset email within 5 minutes or need assistance setting up your online account, please call 916-674-5000 during office hours. If you login and your member discounts do not get automatically applied on the billing page, please call (916) 674-5000 during office hours 9am to 4pm Monday-Friday.

## **Who do I contact with a camp question?**

If you have a question regarding a registration, cancellation, or to reschedule a camp, please email us at [camps@visitmosac.org](mailto:camps@visitmosac.org). We will respond within 72 hours. If you have a



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question during the registration process, please contact us at [camps@visitmosac.org](mailto:camps@visitmosac.org). We will also be available by phone at (916) 674-5000 ext. 104 from 9am-4pm Monday-Friday.

## **What happens if I need to reschedule or cancel?**

If you need to cancel or reschedule, please fill out [Cancellation and Rescheduling Form](#) and send to [camps@visitmosac.org](mailto:camps@visitmosac.org). Please note that rescheduling is based on availability.

## **What does a normal day at Camp Curiosity look like?**

Each camp day is well balanced with time to be active, and time to explore and discover. All camps will have hands-on activities, active play, creative time, snack times and a lunch break. Every camper will experience one show in the UC Davis Multiverse theater and get some time to explore the museum's exhibit areas. Actual schedules may vary based on weather, preferences of camp groups, and other factors.

- We know that kids need to move and play throughout the day. Active play activities at camp include group games, gross motor activities, and time to walk around and explore the museum.
- Hands-on activities include building and engineering challenges and experimentation, hands-on science, exploring natural phenomena through play (such as testing gravity with toy cars) and more. Camp groups will also learn through demos by their Leaders or other museum staff.
- Creative time will include arts and crafts, as well as thinking creatively when working on engineering challenges or projects.

## **How does camp drop-off and pick-up work?**

- **Drop-off** for camp will occur from 8:40-9:00 each day. We will ask parents to park in our lot and walk their camper to our check-in/check-out area at the back of the historic building on the edge of the parking lot. Once campers are signed in by a parent or guardian they will play until camp begins at 9:00am.
- **Pick-Up** will work in the same manner as drop-off and will occur from 3:45-4:05 each afternoon. We will ask parents to park in the MOSAC lot and visit the check-in/out table manned by staff. Once a camper has been signed out by an approved adult, they will leave their group for the day.

## **Will there be food and snacks provided for my child?**

No, each day campers must bring lunch and any snacks they need. Each day campers will get a 30-minute lunch to eat and play as well as two snack/break times between more structured activities. Campers will not have access to a refrigerator or microwave for their lunches or snacks. There is no food available to purchase on site, please do not send your child with money to camp.



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We ask that all families send peanut free lunches and snacks for the safety of others. Since the museum is home to more than just camp, we cannot guarantee a peanut free environment. Please see the section on allergies for more information regarding our allergy safe procedures around mealtimes.

## **Acts of Mother Nature**

Over the past few years Sacramento has experienced a wide range of natural disasters, most specifically wildfires in nearby counties. Throughout camp sessions, if air quality monitors nearest air monitoring sites read "Unhealthy" or worse, or if our site conditions are deemed unsafe for staff and campers, we will reach out to all families, first via email then via phone call, by 8:00AM to cancel camp for the day.

## **Can I register my child for a group that is older or younger than they are?**

No. We ask that you only register your child in their correct group based on the grade level they are currently in. We plan all camp activities to be age and grade level appropriate. Being in the correct group will also help your child make friends and have a more engaging experience.

## **What should my child bring to camp?**

Campers should bring a lunch, snacks, water bottle, and weather appropriate clothing with them each day. We do not recommend your child bring other personal items. Children should not bring cell phones or other technology to camp. MOSAC is not responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged personal items.

Each day Campers should bring:

- A lunch and at least one snack
- A reusable water bottle labeled with their name
- Themselves, ready for fun!
- Weather appropriate clothing in addition to wearing the Camp Curiosity T-shirt (handed out Monday Morning)
- Sunscreen
- A backpack to keep belongings organized!

## **What if my child has behavioral or sensory needs?**

We welcome all information regarding your child's behavior or sensory needs, or any other information that will help to ensure your child has a successful week. Please add relevant details and information on the registration form or email us at [camps@visitmosac.org](mailto:camps@visitmosac.org) with further information.



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Camp Curiosity is an inclusive environment. If your child benefits from sensory aids such as noise-cancelling headphones, items to fidget/focus, etc., they are welcome to bring them to

camp. Please let staff know if your child has these items and when they might be useful. Staff will assist children in reminding them of when these items may be helpful.

If your child benefits from a 1 on 1 aide at school, and you would like to send them with an aide to camp, please contact us to make accommodations. Our staff will work with each child to meet their specific needs, but we do not have enough staff and volunteers to provide 1 on 1 support for each child throughout the day. MOSAC Camp Curiosity staff will work throughout the week to create an environment in which every child can succeed!